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Subject: Update on Canyon Disposition Initiative Comment Responses

Dear Mr. Niles:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) would like to thank you for your comments on the proposed plan for the remediation of Hanford's 221-U Facility, also known as the U Plant Canyon Disposition Initiative. We are continuing to evaluate your comments and are committed to working with the Oregon Department of Energy on U Plant Area cleanup. Your specific comments will be addressed in detail in the responsiveness summary attached to the Record of Decision. We will mail a copy to you when the Record of Decision is finalized this July.

We appreciate your interest in the 221-U Facility project. If you have any questions, please contact Craig Cameron at (509) 376-8665.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nick Ceto".

Nicholas Ceto, Program Manager
Hanford Project Office
Office of Environmental Cleanup

cc: Rick Bond, Ecology
Kevin Leary, DOE
Administrative Record: 221-U Facility (U Plant Canyon Disposition Initiative)